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For: LASER IRRADIATION APPARATUS	)
AND LASER IRRADIATION METHOD	)

**AMENDMENT**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.